

2013: Year In Review



Mickey Goodwin

Assistant coach killed in wreck

This story originally ran in The Interior Journal on Sept. 5.

LANCASTER — A Lincoln County assistant football coach died Friday after a motorcycle wreck in Garrard County.

Michael Goodwin, known to friends as Mickey, was airlifted from the scene of the wreck along U.S. 27, but later died, according to local sources familiar with the family.

Goodwin was an assistant football coach for Lincoln County High School. At the team's football game Friday night, coaches pondered forfeiting the game, but when family members of Goodwin were contacted, they told the coaches to "play on," according to Interior Journal Sports Editor Nancy Leedy.

Lincoln football head Coach Mike Settles had to break the news to his players hours before the game against Bourbon County, which Lincoln lost 55-14.

"It's so unfortunate. You can't take life for granted," Settles said. "Mickey loved kids. He loved football. It didn't seem real to them. It hit them like it hit me. He was such an inspiration to the team, and it's difficult to realize we won't see Mickey Goodwin again. He wanted to make a difference in kids' lives and he did — that showed two hours before the game in our locker room."

Lincoln County Sheriff Curt Folger said Garrard

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Investigators stand outside ABC Gold, Games and More in Danville Sept. 20 following a triple-homicide at the business.

File photo by Clay Jackson

Stanford couple victims in Danville triple-murder

The full version of this story originally ran in The Interior Journal on Sept. 26.

DANVILLE — A gunman who killed three people Friday at a Danville business remained at large Tuesday, while friends and family mourned two of the victims — a couple who lived in Stanford — at a visitation in Somerset.

At about 9 a.m. Friday, an unknown suspect robbed and killed Mike and Angela Hockensmith of Stanford — owners of ABC Gold, Games and More — along with Daniel P. Smith, a buyer and seller of gold and precious metals who visited the store regularly.

The robbery was reported by the Hockensmiths' 9-year-old son, who was at the store along with the couple's 14-month-old daughter.

The couple had owned the

business only a few months. Angela home-schooled and often brought the two children with her to the store.

The couple "were very dedicated to serving others," said Brett Benton, pastor at Mitchellsburg Baptist Church, where Mike Hockensmith had recently become the youth minister. He described the couple as having a lot of energy and being focused on serving.

"They both loved their kids so much," Benton said. "They were full of love, full of energy. They put that toward working with others and working for others."

The Hockensmith's children have been placed with their grandparents following the shootings.

Police have been searching for whoever committed the murders without the assistance of any surveillance footage of the crimes.

Steve Divine, a family friend of the Hockensmiths and co-owner of the business, said the store had cameras, but the previous business owner had removed the recording equipment when he left and they had been unable to buy more since purchasing the shop a few months ago.

Divine said he believes Smith may have been the primary target of the robbery, as he was thought to carry large sums of money.

The unknown suspect is now being described as a white male; 40 to 50 years old; with a stocky build, possibly having a pot belly; and a dingy gray or yellow beard. Witnesses believe he may have been wearing dark black sunglasses and a green Army jacket. Danville Police Chief Tony Gray explained that the description was a collaboration of multiple

witnesses.

According to Gray, the suspect may have gotten away in a newer model gray or silver van, which had been backed into the alley leading to the drive-thru of Rainbow Cleaners. It appears the suspect exited in the van onto Fackler Street heading east.

"We also believe that the suspect may have been in the area the day before," Gray said. Police are searching in the area for witnesses and canvassing businesses with video surveillance evidence for anybody who may have seen the suspect on Thursday or Friday. "We are still asking the community for help."

"We are confident in the way this is going," Gray said.

Police believe Smith visit-

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Elderly Stanford woman raped

This story originally ran in The Interior Journal on June 20.

STANFORD — An elderly Stanford woman was in the hospital in unknown condition Monday after she was allegedly raped during a burglary Friday night.

Stanford Police Chief Keith Middleton said police believe the burglary and rape occurred during a "forced home invasion" on Star Avenue around 10 or 11 p.m.

"(The elderly woman) was robbed and raped by what she described as a black male," Middleton said. "... it's a sad situation."

The woman, who is in her 90s, was taken to Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center for treatment. Middleton said Monday her condition was unknown and didn't know if she would recover from her injuries.

Police have not arrested or charged anyone in connection with the incident, but Middleton said Kevin Montez Higgins, 27, is considered a "primary person of interest."

Higgins has had multiple run-ins with law enforcement over the years. Most recently, he was in the news in March for allegedly stealing a car, leading a police chase across Lincoln County and getting into a scuffle with a deputy sheriff.

Higgins was arrested Saturday morning after apparently breaking into a different home on Star Avenue and stealing jewelry and a knife before going to sleep in one of the home's bedrooms.

Middleton said the family living in the home was surprised to find a stranger in their house when they got up.

"They awoke to find him sleeping in the bedroom," he said. "(The family) left the residence and called police."

Officer Tim Morris was dispatched to the scene and arrested Higgins without incident.

Higgins has been charged with second-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking.

Middleton said it's possible Higgins robbed and raped the elderly woman before heading down the street and breaking into the second house.

Police executed a search

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A state fire marshal, left, is silhouetted between windows as he investigates inside the burned-out home on Joe McMullin Road where Everett and Linda Garland were the night of Nov. 20 when the fire that killed them started.

File photo by Ben Kleppinger

This story originally appeared in The Interior Journal on Nov. 27.

EUBANK — The granddaughter of an elderly couple who died in a house fire the night of Nov. 20 is being held in an Adair County juvenile facility on charges she set the fire that killed her grandparents.

Everett Garland, 64, and Linda Garland, 60, were pronounced dead Thursday after being found inside their burned-out house in the Eubank community, according to state police.

State Police spokesman Trooper Robert Purdy said a juvenile has been charged with two counts of murder and one count of first-degree arson in the case.

The juvenile was inside the home and set the fire while the Garlands were in their bedroom, Purdy said. The juvenile escape the fire unharmed.

Family members and Lincoln County Coroner Farris Marcum have confirmed the juvenile is the 16-year-old granddaughter of the Garlands.

Rusty Garland, the son of Linda and Everett Garland, said the granddaughter is his niece. Linda and Everett Garland had custody of their granddaughter, he said.

The fire at the modular home on Joe McMullin Road began shortly before 11 p.m. Wednesday, according to

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News from Pleasant View Baptist Church

By Scena Ann Petrey
Sunday, Dec. 29, the fifth Sunday in the month, was Youth Sunday, which means the youth of the church are in charge of services. Shelby Morgan, Katie McWhorter, Josh Wilson, Bro. Jamie, Bro. Matthew, and Josh Caudill. “The God of Angel armies is always by my side. Your grace is enough for me” were words in one of the songs.
Jessie Wilson sang a special with a very meaningful message. “We pray for blessings, peace, protection, healing, and prosperity. And all the while, You hear the spoken need.” Beautiful words from “What If Your Blessings Are Like Raindrops?”
Bro. Matthew asked for prayers for safe travel as the youth go to Gatlinburg for

X-treme services. They left after church Sunday and will return during the week.
Keeping in sync with Youth Sunday, Bro. Matthew brought the morning message. Startling facts he mentioned were from a survey in which 2000 Christians were asked various questions. Fifty-eight percent of those surveyed stated that they did not think the Holy Spirit is a real person; 40 percent of those surveyed believed that Jesus committed sin while on earth. This leads many to wonder “Who Do You Say I Am?”
“Many Christians get a real dose of church but only a whiff of who Jesus is,” stated Bro. Matthew. “Going to church is important, but if that is all Christianity is to you, there

is a real problem,” Bro. Matthew added.
From John 14:4-9, even Phillip had a hard time understanding who Jesus is. While the disciples saw miracles, healings, discussions about the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus, they did not understand all they knew about Jesus. Many of us are in the same boat.
From the text of the sermon, Luke 9:18-20, Bro. Matthew pointed out the two questions asked about Jesus – who do the crowds say I am and who do you say I am?
Many people during the time of Jesus said He was a prophet or Elijah or a great teacher. Our society today may say a fictional character, a pop cultural figure, a curse word to emphasize a point. In both settings, His

name was loosely thrown around.
When asked the last question, Peter said, “God’s Messiah.” Then Bro. Matthew asked us if Jesus as our Savior, our Lord, the Leader in our lives. During this new year of 2014, we have a golden opportunity to answer that question in our own lives and minds – “who do you say I am?”
Following the morning message, we welcomed three people into our church family – Tracy, Reagan, and Leyna Weiskircher.
There will be a blood drive at Pleasant View, Thursday, Jan. 2. You may contact the church for times and appointments.
Contact Judy Jacobs, Mary Ann May, Miranda Brown, or Elisha Lawrence for more information about

the Women’s conference, which will be held in Louisville in April. A deposit of \$50 must be paid no later than Jan. 19 to assure your spot at the conference.
The NAOS Discipleship Series of classes will begin Sun. evening, Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m. The classes will run for

12 weeks.
The 2014 offering envelopes are ready to be picked up. They are located upstairs in the area by the water fountain.
Thought for the week: “The task ahead of you is never as great as the power behind you.”
Happy New Year!

Stanford Church of the Nazarene news

By Buford Edwards II
Sunday morning, Stanford Church of the Nazarene was blessed by the wonderful worship service as we raised our voices to praise the Lord and learn from His Word during Sunday school and morning worship service on the beautiful Lord’s Day! We were challenged from 2 Corinthians 5, with the subject of, “Out With the Old, In With The New!”
Sunday night we enjoyed a time of praise and worship. Bro. Buford’s message was from Matthew 21 on the subject of “Believe.”
The Jail Ministry meets every Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and the Nursing Home Ministry the first Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m. For more information, or to learn how to get involved, contact the church and leave a message.

School Retreat will be held Feb. 7-8 at Cave City.
The church has an active food assistance program. If you know of anyone or have a need yourself please leave a message at the church.
Service times: Sunday school starts at 10 a.m., Sunday worship is at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., and Christian Education Night is every Wednesday beginning at 7 p.m.
For more information about our youth group and children’s programs, email the directors by logging on to our website at www.stanfordchurchofthenazarene.com
If you would like more information about our church and events, contact Pastor Buford Edwards at (606) 365-1260 or visit us on the web.
Don’t forget to also “like” the Stanford Church of the

Nazarene on Facebook to receive updates and an encouraging word.

Highland United Methodist Church news

On Sunday, Dec. 29, several church members met to worship on the Sunday after Christmas.
Some were absent due to the passing of Wilma May, Doug May’s mother. Her burial service was on Saturday.
Special prayer requests were for Wilma’s family, Jay Caplin (Tennessee-back in hospital), and Martin Wethington (broke a foot).
The choir sang once again, “Go Tell It,” one of the Christmas pieces of music. Christmas gift scrolls were passed out by Mike McGuffey to those not present on Christmas Sunday.
Dawn Cheetham also sang, “O Holy Night,” a requested song that had not previously been sung during the Christmas season.

The scripture reading was from Luke 2:8-20. Rev. Scillely asked a question, “Who would have believed the story if the angels had not told it?” The divine event required a divine announcement. Some will ask, “What about the wise-men?” It too was another divine happening. The angels not only announced the Savior’s birth, but they also told them how to find Him. Christians, having been told where and how to find Him, now have the honor of being heralds to the world.
During Sunday school the Scillely’s were recognized for an anniversary of fifty-four years of marriage.
After worship the trustees met to discuss the fact that there are special matching

grant funds available for special projects such as a handicap bathroom on the upper floor of the church.
There will be a planning committee meeting next Sunday after worship.
Chairpersons of committees are to discuss possible ideas with their committees in preparation for the planning meeting.
Join us at Highland at 10 and 11 a.m. each Sunday.



Bob Turpin and son, Robert J. Turpin

Turpin receives degree

Robert J. Turpin received his PhD in History from the University of Kentucky on Friday, Dec. 20, 2013.
His dissertation is titled, “Our Best Bet is the Boy”: A Cultural History of Bicycle Marketing and Consumption in the United States, 1880-

1960.
Son of Bob Turpin of Crab Orchard and Rhonda MacKenzie of Frankfort, he graduated from Lincoln County High School in 1998. Robert, his wife, and daughter currently live in Campbellsville.

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Kentucky's high school teacher of the year award goes to Lincoln teacher

This story originally ran in The Interior Journal on Oct. 24.

FRANKFORT — One of Lincoln County's own is one of Kentucky's best teachers. Joanna Stevens, a math teacher at Lincoln County High School, was named the 2013 High School Teacher of the Year last week.

"It was a complete surprise," said Stevens, who thought she would be eliminated from contention for the statewide award because she has only three years of experience under her belt. "When they started reading the bio ... that's when I knew."

Gov. Steve Beshear and Kentucky Department of Education Commissioner Terry Holliday were on hand for the awards ceremony last week where Stevens and two other teachers were picked as the cream of the Bluegrass state's crop.

Fayette County teacher Melanie Trowel was named Middle School Teacher of the Year; Murray Elementary School teacher Holly Bloodworth was named Elementary School Teacher of the Year and the overall 2013 Teacher of the Year.

Lincoln County High School Principal Tim Godbey said she has seen Stevens in action in the classroom and the award is "well-deserved."

"For a teacher with three years of experience under her belt, she certainly performs on a daily basis as one with many more years of experience," he said. "She's a phenomenal teacher. What sets her apart is for her, it's not just about covering the content, it's not about 'well, I taught it.' For her, it's about the kids learning the material."

Stevens is teaching at the same high school she graduated from in 2005, and she works with many teachers who taught her back then.

Stevens said when she was a little girl, she had wanted to be a teacher like her mom. Then, in high school, she began tutoring other students and rediscovered that little girl's desire.

"That kind of revived my aspiration to be a teacher," she said.

Stevens went to the University of Kentucky and took a job teaching at Lafayette High School after she graduated. A year later, a position opened at Lincoln County High School, and she had an opportunity to come home.

"I'm glad to be a Patriot again and give back to the community that gave so much to make me who I am," she said.

Stevens teaches math and said as she was growing up,



Joanna Stevens

she was certain she wanted her career to be "math-affiliated."

With a dad who worked as a 4-H agent and a mom who is also a high school teacher, Stevens said that gave her an early understanding of working with youth.

Stevens' husband helps her out in the classroom, too — in a way.

"It's beneficial that my husband is a civil engineer," she said. "It's very convenient for real-world examples of math."

Beyond her classroom, Stevens is also a coaching-session instructor, extended school services coordinator and professional learning community facilitator for the high school.

She leads the academic team as head coach and she's involved with the Kentucky Education Association, Lincoln County High School Patriot Club and Lincoln County Distinguished Young Women Committee.

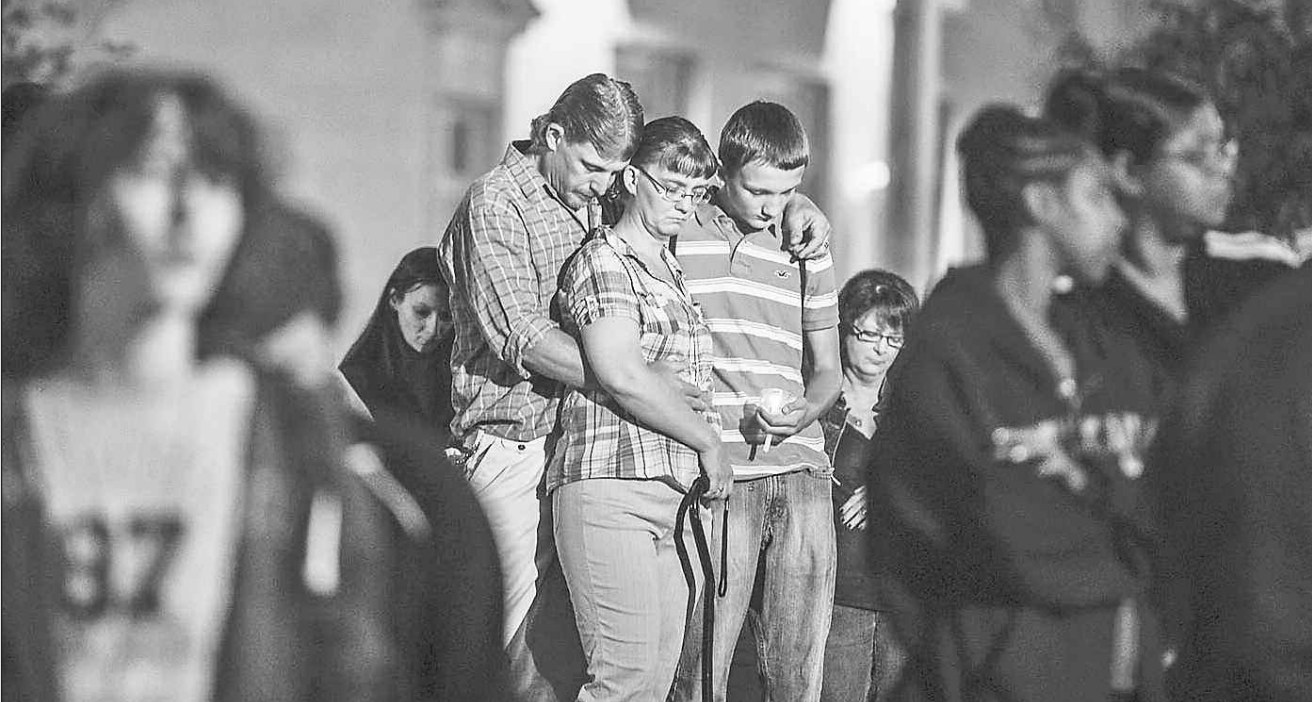
This was the 13th year Ashland Inc. and the Kentucky Department of Education have co-sponsored the Kentucky Teacher Achievement Awards. Applications for the program were distributed across the state, and the first tier of the selection process was completed in August, with 24 teachers selected as 2014 Ashland Inc. Teachers Achievement Award winners.

Ten top scorers — three each from the elementary and middle school levels and four from the high school level — were selected, and teams of educators visited their classrooms to view them at work and to conduct personal interviews.

From those 10, three were selected as 2014 Kentucky Teachers of the Year. The selection of the overall Kentucky Teacher of the Year was based on the compilation of scores from all phases of judging.

Stevens said she thinks her success in teaching comes down to having passion and enthusiasm for what she does.

"My students deserve my best every day," she said. "They're the reason I do what I do."



Mourners gather in Danville for a candlelight vigil in September following a shooting that left three people, including a Stanford couple, dead at ABC Gold, Games and More.

File photo by Clay Jackson

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ed Lawson's Jewelry in Harrodsburg before arriving at ABC. Gray said that they are assuming the suspect took money belonging to Smith, as there was no money found on him.

Boyle County Coroner Dr. Don Hamner confirmed that the victims died of multiple gunshot wounds.

After the 9-year-old made a 911 call to report the shootings, area schools and government buildings were placed on lock-down for several hours as police searched for the suspect. Lincoln County schools were placed on a "modified lock-down," where all outside activities were cancelled.

By early afternoon, the lock-downs had been lifted, but the shooter had not been found.

Hundreds of people gathered Sunday night in Danville for a prayer vigil in the wake of the murders, coming together to remember the three victims.

"We wanted to pray for the children," said 6-year-old Alex Owens of Junction City, who attended the vigil with his mother, Becky Cook. Alex attends Junction City Elementary School and said he was scared during the lockdown on Friday as authorities

searched the community for the gunman.

Others spoke of the couple's kindness and willingness to help out anyone. Mary Burgess and David Poling said they had been the recipients of Mike Hockensmith's kindness one day at the store.

"We were pretty tight for money one week," said Poling, explaining that Burgess took a \$10 VCR to the store and Hockensmith gave her \$30 for it so she would be able to buy insulin.

That was the first time the couple met Hockensmith.

"He was just amazing. He was a good guy. You could tell that he loved God. You could tell that he would do anything for anyone," Burgess said, tearing up.

Family members of the Hockensmiths attended the event and said the deaths had hit the family "pretty hard."

"They were incredible people," said Ariana Carpenter, a cousin of Angela Hockensmith. Carpenter said the family is "in shock."

Since then ...

On Oct. 9, dozens of officers swarmed Main Street Baptist Church in Burnside, the adjacent parsonage

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authorities.

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office and "a bunch of " Lincoln County fire department stations responded to the scene, along with state police, Marcum said.

Once the fire was extinguished, Everett Garland's body was found near a back door of the house, where he had apparently been trying to escape the flames. Linda Garland was found in the couple's bedroom, Marcum said.

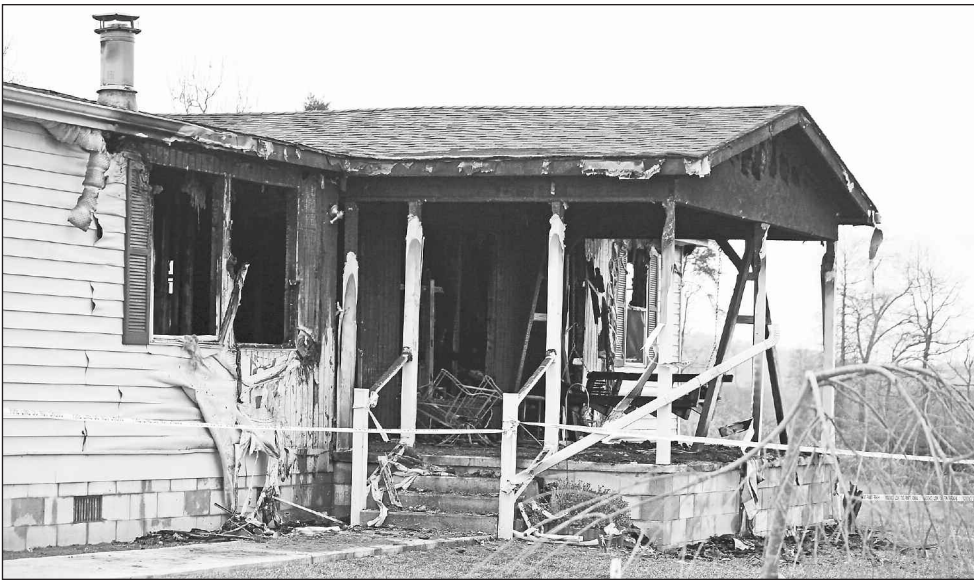
"She was found inside the bedroom, kneeling down beside the bed, covered up with a blanket, trying to protect herself," he said.

Marcum said he pronounced Everett Garland dead at the scene of the fire in the early Thursday morning hours.

Purdy said first responders were initially hopeful they could save Linda Garland.

"The female victim was taken out of the bedroom by a firefighter and they tried to revive her on the way to the hospital," he said.

Linda Garland was pro-



The home of Everett and Linda Garland is seen the day after a fire gutted the structure and killed the Eubank couple. The couple's granddaughter was charged with causing the fire and killing her grandparents.

File photo by Ben Kleppinger

nounced dead at Lake Cumberland Regional Medical Center by the Pulaski County coroner.

State Police Arson Investigator Pat Alford and a state fire marshal were on the scene Thursday morning investigating the cause of the fire. They did not comment on the record about their investigation.

Purdy said Alford's investigation of the scene was completed Thursday. The results of that investigation will be kept private and likely presented to a

grand jury when the case is ready to move forward, he said.

State police will also not be releasing information about possible motives the juvenile may have had for setting the fire. That information will similarly remain private and then be presented to a grand jury, Purdy said.

Autopsies performed Friday in Frankfort determined the cause of death for Linda and Everett Garland to be smoke inhalation, Purdy said.

The granddaughter had a detention hearing Thursday and is being held in a juvenile detention facility in Adair County for now, according to state police.

Purdy said while the juvenile is currently being charged as a minor, it's possible she could be charged as an adult because she is 16 years old. That decision will be up to the Commonwealth's Attorney in charge of the case, he said.

"Now, it's in the hands of the courts," he said.

GOODWIN

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County Deputy Sheriff James Napier handled the wreck.

Since then ...

Following Goodwin's death, the Lincoln County football team dedicated its

season to the fallen coach and framed his coaching jersey, taking it with them to every game.

After losing to Bourbon

County the day of Goodwin's accident, the team won its next three games in row, eventually ending with a 5-5 regular

season record. The team made a playoff appearance for the third straight year. Lexington Christian Academy raised approxi-

mately \$1,400 to send Lincoln County football players to a Christian football camp in memory of Goodwin.

HIGGINS

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warrant on Higgins and used a rape kit to obtain evidence that will be tested in Frankfort to determine whether Higgins is the rapist or not.

Middleton said he doesn't know how long it might take for the results to come back.

"I'm going to try to request that they expedite it because of her age

and the violence involved," he said.

There are other persons of interest police suspect could have committed the rape, Middleton said.

Whoever committed the crimes against the elderly woman will likely face charges of first-degree robbery, first-degree burglary and first-degree rape, Middleton said. Those charges could go up in severity if the woman does not survive, he added.

Since then ...

The elderly woman survived her injuries and was soon released from the hospital and taken to an undisclosed location.

When the DNA results returned, they indicated Higgins was the rapist who burglarized the woman, police said.

Higgins has been indicted three times this year — once for the alleged March police pursuit and

assault; once for the burglary where he was allegedly found in a bedroom; and once for the burglary and rape.

Higgins was released from jail following his March arrest because he wasn't indicted for the alleged crimes within 60 days of being charged.

He allegedly committed the Star Avenue burglaries and rape a few weeks after being released and a few weeks before he was finally

indicted for the March incident. Higgins eventually pleaded guilty to charges of theft by unlawful taking, fleeing or evading police and third-degree assault for the March case.

He was sentenced to five years in prison for those crimes in December.

Police have said while Higgins has a long history of run-ins with law enforcement, his behavior had never been especially violent in the past.

Obituaries

Elizabeth Cromer Caudill, 48

Elizabeth "Beth" Cromer Caudill, 48, of Crab Orchard, passed away Saturday, Dec. 28, 2013, at the Fort Logan Hospital in Stanford.

Born April 20, 1965, in Lincoln County, Beth was a daughter of the late Dennis and Phyllis Jean Muncie Cromer. She worked as a LPN for Dr. Bates for several years and was a member of the Watts Chapel Baptist Church. She was a loving wife, mother, nana, sister and friend.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Keith Caudill of Crab Orchard, whom she married on May 24, 1986; daughter, Talia Caudill Perry of Nicholasville; brother, Virgil Ray Cromer of Crab Orchard; sisters, Ann Collins, Betty Cromer,

Linda (Kelvin) Johnson and Shannon Cromer all of Crab Orchard; and a granddaughter, Fate Jayden Perry. Funeral services were Dec. 31, 2013, at McKnight Funeral Home in Crab Orchard with Bros. Dan Gutenson and Gordan Chaney officiating. Burial was in Crab Orchard Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Josh Cromer, Rick Creech, Dwayne Turner, Greg Hibbard, Billy Johnson nd Mark Hanes. Honorary pallbearers were Ryan and Brandon Johnson, Nathan Creech and Johnathan Cromer.

McKnight Funeral Home was in charge.

Memorial contributions can be made to McKnight Funeral Home, P.O. Box 97, Crab Orchard, KY 40419.

Vatus Gibson, 89

Vatus Gibson, 89, of Hustonville, passed away Saturday, Dec. 28, 2013, at the Golden Living Center in Stanford.

Born Sept. 1, 1924, in Casey County, Vatus was a daughter of the late Sherman and Carrie Sandusky Emerson. She was a housewife, a member of McKinney Christian Church and the widow of Noah Gibson.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Larry Gibson; daughter, Dorothy Sprinkles; brothers, Jesse, Rollin and Coy Emerson; sister, Jewell Smith; three grandchildren; and several other great and great-great grandchildren.

Survivors include her sons, Dallin (Phyllis) Gibson of Georgetown, Gary Gibson and Russell (Kathy) Gibson, both of Hustonville and Ricky (Jennifer) Gibson of Glasgow; daughters, Faye Roy of Cincinnati, Ohio, Sue (Kenneth) Bailey of Georgetown and Phillis



(Bobby) Wallen of Franklin, Ind.; brothers, Gene Emerson of Liberty and Rex (Connie) Emerson of Cincinnati, Ohio; sisters, Lois Miller of Liberty and Sue Cross of Cincinnati, Ohio; 17 grandchildren; and several great and great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were Dec. 31, 2013, at McKinney-Brown Funeral Home with Bro. Jerod Moore officiating. Burial was in Buffalo Springs Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Humane Society of one's choice.

Trent Johnson, 19

Trent Johnson, 19, of Stanford, passed away Monday, Dec. 23, 2013, in Nashville, Tenn.

Born July 6, 1994, Trent was the son of Tim Johnson of Stanford and the late Jill Victoria Tucker Johnson. He was a 2012 graduate of Lincoln County High School and was currently attending Eastern Kentucky University.

Other survivors include a brother, Tim Ralph Johnson of Stanford; and a sister, Tracy Johnson of Stanford.

Visitation was Dec. 27, 2013, at Spurlin Funeral



Home in Stanford.

The family will have a private burial at a later date.

Honorary pallbearers were Rick Bruno, Hoyt Keith, Jim Schooler, Patty Parker, Mary Lou Sowders, Harmony Fields and Dylan Castle.

Odra Wooton Moore, 93

Odra Wooton Moore, 93, of Science Hill, passed away Saturday, Dec. 28, 2013.

Born Sept. 27, 1920, in Leslie County, Odra was the second child of Harrison and Emily Melton Wooton and one of eleven siblings. She was the widow of Robert G. Moore, who died on July 4, 2002. Odra was an adventurous woman and left her childhood home to seek employment in Louisville. She lived there during World War II and met her husband, who was from there, shortly after the war. She and Bob were married on Oct. 5, 1946, and set about raising a family. Odra was proud of her working heritage and bookkeeping skills, which were used in Louisville as a comptometer operator. She was a homemaker and loved wind chimes and watching the birds. Odra was a kind and faithful wife, mother and grandmother and will be missed by many.

She was also preceded in death by six siblings, Sterle,



Ella, Bruce, Esther, James and Cephas.

Survivors include three children, Robert F. (Juanita) Moore, Teresa Ann (Mike) Meece and Russ Lee (Cindy) Moore; four siblings, Eva, Earl, Nola and Shirley; six grandchildren; and a lot of great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, 2014, at Morris & Hislope Funeral Home in Science Hill with Bro. David Bullock officiating. Burial will be in Science Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be after 11 a.m. Thursday, at the funeral home.

Roy Edward Oakes, 51

Roy Edward Oakes, 51, of Mount Vernon, passed away Thursday, Dec. 26, 2013, at his home.

Born May 5, 1962, in Rockcastle County, Roy was the son of Joe and Dessie Swinney Oakes of Crab Orchard. He was a collector of many things including antiques, guns and knives and he enjoyed trading and selling many of those. He was a loving husband, dad, son, brother, papaw, uncle and a friend to many.

Other survivors include his wife, Erica Dawn Howard Oakes of Mt. Vernon, whom he married Nov. 4, 2010; daughters, Lila Rogers of Fulton and Nevaeh Jean Oakes of Mt. Vernon; son, Roy Levi Oakes of Mt. Vernon; stepdaughter, Shala Brooks of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Margaret (Ricky) Tudor of Sand Gap, Linda Gail (Brian) Kirkland of Lexington and Bobby

(Chris) Grigsby of London; brothers, Mike (Sharon) Oakes of Dripping Springs and Sonny (Dayna) Oakes of Crab Orchard; and two granddaughters, Katie and Katrina.

Funeral services were Dec. 30, 2013, at Crab Orchard Church of God with Bros. Phillip Payne and Lonnie Goodin officiating. Burial was in Vanhook & Brewer Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Ricky Jo Tudor, Nathan Bohlman, Tony Saylor, Brian Kirkland, Joseph Peggs and Logan Felix. Honorary pallbearers were Gene Caldwell, Bill Alexander, Ricky Tudor, Gene Swinney and Billy Howard.

McKnight Funeral Home in Crab Orchard was in charge.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to McKnight Funeral Home, P.O. Box 97, Crab Orchard, KY40419.

Vickie Foster Pelly, 70

Vickie Foster Pelly, 70, of Crab Orchard, died Friday, Dec. 27, 2013, at Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville.

Born Oct. 13, 1943, in Somerset, Vickie was a daughter of the late Kenneth Foster and Lois Burton Foster Rice. She was a member of Ephesus Baptist Church and the widow of Wallis Ray Pelly.

Survivors include sons, John Christopher Pelly,

David Wayne Pelly, Robert Merrill Pelly and Charles Andrew Pelly; sisters, Janie Fairris-Stephens and Judy Rice; and four grandchildren.

Graveside services were Dec. 30, 2013, at Antioch Cemetery with Bro. Steve Hoeck officiating. Burial was in the Antioch Cemetery.

McK i n n e y - B r o w n Funeral Home was in charge.

Kathleen Reynolds Rogers, 68

Kathleen Reynolds Rogers, 68, of Kings Mountain, died Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2013 at UK Medical Center in Lexington.

Born Saturday, June 16, 1945, in Lincoln County, Kathleen was a daughter of the late Henry and Audrey Reynolds. She attended Pond Baptist Church and loved to garden.

Survivors include her husband, Joe Rogers of Kings

Mountain; two brothers, Jerry Reynolds of Kings Mountain and Gerald Reynolds of Waynesburg; two sisters, Aline Reynolds of Waynesburg and Mae Coleman of Turnersville; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Dec. 27, 2013 at Barnett & Demrow Funeral Home with Bro. David Gambrel officiating. Burial was in Pond Cemetery.

Bobby Lee Simpson, 71

Bobby Lee Simpson, 71, of Crab Orchard, died Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2013, at his home.

Born Nov. 2, 1942, Bobby was a son of the late Ray and Martha Mae Bishop Simpson. He was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather and the widower of Shirley Ann Noakes Simpson, who preceded him

in death on March 6, 2013.

Survivors include a son, Kerry (Bessie) Simpson of Crab Orchard; and two grandchildren, Eric and Lindsey Simpson

Funeral services were Dec. 28, 2013, at McKnight Funeral Home in Crab Orchard. Burial was in Mt. Zion Church of Christ Cemetery.

Janice Faye Warren, 68

Janice Faye Warren, 68, of Science Hill, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2013, at Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital.

Born July 16, 1945, in Mintonville, Janice was a daughter of the late Jerry Mar and Para Lee Dick Warren. She stayed at home and took care of her sister for several years. Janice loved to can and enjoyed doing crafts and sewing, but most of all she loved going to church. She was a member of Ansel Baptist Church.

She was also preceded in death by Geneva Warren Short, Virginia Mae Warren, Dirl Iven Warren, Don Warren, Egbert Warren, Imogene Warren and William Warren.

Survivors include one brother, John Cal Warren of Cincinnati, Ohio; a niece, who was raised as a sister,



Brenda Sue Dick of Science Hill; two sisters-in-law, Iva Dean Warren and Barbara Warren; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews. She was like a mother and grandmother to all.

Funeral services were Dec. 28, 2013, at Morris & Hislope Funeral Home in Science Hill with Bros. Stanley Childers and Charles Woodcock officiating. Burial was in West Science Hill Cemetery.

An encouraging word

A way to face a new year

By Howard Coop

An old year has passed. One thing is sure: There was a mixture of experiences in it. There were problems. Some of them were difficult, but some of them were solved easily. Things did not work out the way some folk desired, and there was disappointment. On the other hand, not everything was bad. During the year, many good things occurred. Some folk experienced numerous pleasant experiences, and for most of us, the old year was a pretty good year.

Now, a new year has been given to us. At this point in time, we do not know what it holds. Horatio Nelson Powers called the unfolding year “a path unknown” that one has to explore day by day. One thing is sure: What is unknown now will become known as the days pass.

In terms of an old expression, the beginning of the year is a time to “turn over a new leaf.” This implies making a new start. To make a new start, one must forget what is behind, make a radical change, and move forward

into the unknown future looking for, and expecting to find, something better.

The path ahead may not always be easy; things seldom are. Neil Gaiman put it in perspective when he wrote: “I hope in the year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are doing new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You’re doing things you’ve never done before, and more importantly, you’re Doing Something.”

Will the unfolding year be everything you want it to be? I doubt it. But achievement involves believing the best is possible and reaching for it. Robert Browning put it well when he said, “Ah, a man’s reach should exceed his grasp...or what’s a heaven for?”

We may not know what is ahead, but there is a way to face a new year. We can believe, as Alfred Tennyson, said that “Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come, whispering, ‘It will be happier.’”

Vertie Moore Stroup, 85

Vertie Moore Stroup, 85, of Junction City died Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2013.

Born June 26, 1928, Vertie was a daughter of the late Rev. George and Eliza Himes Moore.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Clarence Stroup and grandson, Danny Dalton, Jr.

Survivors include a daughter, Joann (Danny)

Dalton of Junction City; a son, Larry Stroup, of Junction City; two brothers, Isaac and Clyde Moore; three grandchildren, Angela Dean and Lisette and Tamme Dalton; and six great grandchildren.

Funeral services were Dec. 28, 2013, at W.L. Pruitt Funeral Home in Moreland with Bro. Floying Thompson officiating. Burial was in Junction City.

News from the Ottenheim area

By Dorothea Schlappi

Hope everyone had a good, healthy Christmas and New Year, 2014. We did have a Christmas with no snow which made safer travel for people on the roads.

This was the first time in a long while that the Old Fashioned Christmas at the Lutheran Historical Church had to be called off because of icy weather for the Dec. 8 open house. It was not rescheduled, but at a later date, a group of carolers gathered to sing for the community.

To the family of Vickie Pelley, who passed away Friday, you are in our prayers. May God be with you all.

Congratulations to Sarah Rowe and Eric Sheldon on their marriage Saturday, Dec. 21, 2013, in Williamsburg. We wish you a very happy life together.

The men at St. Sylvester cooked Christmas breakfast for all the church. It was very delicious and was enjoyed by everyone. Santa

Claus made an appearance to the delight of all the children.

Congratulations to Josh and Chelsea Sparks on the safe arrival of a baby girl. She also comes home to two brothers.

Remember those who are sick and in the hospital. They need our prayers. Send a card if you can. I’m sure they would love to hear from us.

Beside one of the ponds that was made this past summer on Hwy. 643, a new pier has been built. The pond is full of water now and a new building has been erected beside the pond, it is beautiful. It’s so nice to drive through Hwy. 643 and see the new additions along the way. Thank you!

This week starts a new year of 2014. Let us all start anew with it. God gives us so many blessings along with the bad things that we can be thankful for.

A lot of people look like they are on their last leg, but are still getting up somehow. Have a good week.

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Calvary Tabernacle Church services

Calvary Tabernacle Church in Kings Mountain holds regular services Friday evenings at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Pastor is Eric Barnes from Somerset. Everyone is welcome.

New Covenant Church

New Covenant Church is now located at the old Redemption Road Church building on Hwy. 698. The pastor is Joel Rowland. Everyone welcome.

Grace and Faith Ministries

Grace and Faith Ministries would like to invite you to its new church services located in the meeting room at Hampton Inn, 100 Montgomery Way, Danville, off Hwy. 150. Services will be held every Sunday at 11 a.m. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. There will be biblical teaching by Pastor Paul Stratton. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact (859) 332-8407.

Calvary Hill Baptist A.W.A.N.A.s

A.W.A.N.A. is held each Wednesday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Calvary Hill Baptist Church. All children are invited to come be a part of this program. (If there is no school, there will be no A.W.A.N.A.). For more information, call (606) 365-7584.

Waynesburg Church of Christ services

Waynesburg Church of Christ invites you to worship with them. Bible study is Sunday morning at 10 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m., Sunday evening worship is at 4 p.m. and Wednesday service is at 6 p.m. Preacher, Owen Thomas.

Calvary Temple Church

Calvary Temple Church meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 6 p.m. Calvary Temple located at 57 W. Pleasant Point School Road in Kings Mountain.

Philadelphia United Baptist services

Philadelphia United Baptist Church in Brodhead has Sunday school and church at 10 a.m. on Sunday and Bible study and youth night every Wednesday at 7 p.m. A bus runs from Mt. Vernon to Crab Orchard. If you need a ride call Bro. Gordan Mink at (606) 308-5368 or Bro. Rick Fry at (606) 308-4746.

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Adam and Eve were privileged to bring other children into the world. The only one whose name is given was Seth. There is very little information in the bible about Seth. It is recorded that he was the father of Enosh.

Enoch:
The next character of note was Enoch. The unique thing about Enoch is that while it is recorded of the others of his day that they died, the bible record of Enoch says that he, "walked with God, and was not, for God took him."

Methuselah:
Enoch was the Father of Methuselah. We remember Methuselah because of his old age. He lived to be 969 years old. And he died.







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‘From the mouths of babes’

5th-grader shows wisdom while officials freak out unnecessarily over religion

When children speak the truth, adults often squirm and shut them up.

That’s apparently what happened to Zachary Golob-Drake last month after he delivered a speech entitled “In the Name of Religion” to his 5th grade class at Patel Partnership School in Tampa, Florida.

The teacher initially applauded Zachary’s speech, awarding him first prize and an opportunity to compete to represent his school at the regional 4-H Tropicana Public Speech Contest.

But later that same day, school officials had second thoughts.

An assistant principal took Zachary aside and explained that the speech wasn’t appropriate for 4th and 5th graders. As Zachary told WFLA-TV, “She thought that probably I would have to rewrite my speech, take the religion out or not compete.”

Stripped of his blue ribbon, Zachary was found crying when his older brother came to pick him up at school.

After family members protested, the school returned the ribbon. But still-worried administrators postponed the school-wide contest until parents signed permission slips allowing their children to hear the speeches.

What’s the scary, controversial, age-inappropriate content in Zachary’s speech that young children shouldn’t hear without parental consent?

“The world’s major religions all have messages about coexisting,” he writes. But sometimes people “use religion as an excuse to take each other’s lives.” He cites the Crusades, Genghis Khan, and the terrorist attacks on 9/11 as examples.

Despite news reports to the contrary, school officials now claim that the “topic of mass murders” and not religion is the issue.

That’s strange, because Zachary’s short speech isn’t graphic or inflammatory. He merely states the obvious: “Religious differences have always sparked conflict, even leading to warfare and mass murder.”

If Zachary’s school doesn’t teach young kids (or allow them to discuss) the truth about religious conflict in history, what exactly does it teach?

I suspect that Zachary’s

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school, like many public schools, is afraid to touch “religion” with the proverbial ten-foot pole. Even when religion is mentioned in the upper elementary grades — holidays, places of worship, and other basic facts — there is rarely discussion of the role of religion in society, for better and for worse.

It may be uncomfortable and politically incorrect, but Zachary is saying what 4th and 5th graders need to hear about one of the greatest challenges we face in the 21st century.

“In the name of religion,” Christians and Muslims are fighting in northern Africa; Sunni and Shiite Muslims are at war in the Middle East; Buddhists are attacking Muslims in Burma; extremists are perverting Islam to justify violence across the globe — and the tragic list goes on.

As only a child can do, Zachary calls attention to the contradiction between the message of compassion found at the heart of the major world religions and the failure of many adherents to live that message in their relationships with people of other faiths.

Fortunately, however, little Zachary is smart enough to recognize that there is more to the story — that religion can also be a force for great good in the world.

Zachary ends his speech by telling us “religion provides moral guidance for most of the seven billion people on the earth.” He quotes the admonition of Confucius: “Do not do to others what you do not want them to do to you,” an early version of the Golden Rule found in many of the world’s great faiths.

“This world would be a better place,” writes Zachary, “if everybody followed that rule.”

From the mouths of babes comes truth and wisdom.

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Transparency a good step toward combatting human trafficking

Certainly no one broke into applause when the first report on child victims of human trafficking was released last month.

It presented a grim reality. In the four months from June, when a stronger human trafficking measure became law in Kentucky, to late October, 20 reports of human trafficking involving 25 children were recorded.

They included children as young as 1 who had been sold, usually for money or drugs, often by people entrusted with their care.

As horrific as it is to contemplate these facts, knowing them is good and important. It is reason for applause that the long and hard effort by Rep. Sannie Overly, D-Paris, and others to protect the victims of human trafficking and punish the perpetrators is bearing fruit.

It is impossible to address what isn't acknowledged. The law's provi-

sion for an annual report changes that.

Equally important, the legislation provides for more training for law enforcement and a path to provide treatment rather than prosecution for victims.

Prostitution is a crime, and it has been common for women involved to be charged criminally, even if they have been coerced into the trade.

Training helps officers recognize the signs that human trafficking, or slavery, is in play. With that knowledge they are more likely to uncover the people responsible and prosecute them, connecting the victim to appropriate services rather than putting her in jail.

The law also allows police and prosecutors to seize and sell the assets of adults who sell children. The punishment hits at the economic motive behind trafficking, and the money raised is appropriately ear-

marked to provide services for victims.

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services produces the annual report and is responsible for coordinating the efforts of its own agencies, private social services agencies, law enforcement and the courts.

This first report details efforts to raise awareness of human trafficking, particularly among law enforcement agencies, and outlines further outreach that's planned.

One likely result is that for the first few years that reports about human trafficking will increase. That's what happens when things long ignored or misunderstood finally are acknowledged.

However, Kentucky's open-eyed approach and stronger sanctions are significant steps forward in protecting these vulnerable, exploited young people. That is something to celebrate.

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Garrard County Retired Teacher's Meeting

The Garrard County Retired Teacher's will meet Tuesday, January 14 at 11:30 a.m. at the Garrard County Senior Citizen Center on Farra Drive in Lancaster. We will be discussing "membership and pensions". Join us to learn about possible serious changes to our retirement. Lunch (\$6) will be provided by the senior citizen center (R.S.V.P.) 339-8622.

Meet U.S. Senate Republican Candidate Matt Bevin

Matt Bevin, Conservative Republican candidate for U.S. Senate 2014 will be in Stanford on Tuesday, Jan. 7 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bevin has been endorsed by former Republican gubernatorial nominee Larry Forgy, Senate Conservatives Fund, and Gunowners of America. Please join hosts Dr. Naren James and Candice Franklin for a Meet and Greet at First Southern Community Arts Center, 213 Depot Street, Stanford. Free event, refreshments provided. Be an informed voter.

Living with Alzheimer's: For Caregivers - Early Stage

This program will help participants understand the common symptoms and behaviors seen in early stage Alzheimer's and how to address them. Additionally, caregivers will learn about what lies ahead legally and financially, the importance of early planning, and how to build an effective care team. This program will take place at the Madison County Cooperative Extension Office, 230 Duncannon Lane, Richmond, from 1 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 16. To register, call 1-800-272-3900 or email infoky-in@alz.org. This program was created especially for family caregivers, so please no professionals.

Fitness Class

Be a part of one of the hottest trends in group exercise ! U-Jam Fitness has officially made it to Kentucky and Stanford is home to the first official class and instructor. U-Jam Fitness unites world beats with an urban flair to provide you with an athletic dance fitness workout sure to tone your entire body. All fitness levels are welcome. Classes are Thursdays 6 to 7 p.m. starting Jan. 2nd at First Southern Community Arts Center. Cost is \$4 per class or buy a pass during the month of January - 8 classes for \$25. The instructor is Carrie Wilson who has a degree in Exercise Physiology, is a licensed Group Fitness Instructor, and has been teaching Group Fitness Classes for 20 years. For questions text is (606) 669-1692.

U-Jam Fitness Launch Party

It's here! U-Jam Fitness is now officially in Kentucky via Carrie Wilson and Master Trainer Tamara Ware is coming to Stanford to officially launch U-Jam Fitness with Carrie. Join the hottest dance fitness class that is sweeping across group exercise classes! U- Jam Fitness Unites world beats with an urban flair for an overall athletic dance workout. You don't have to be a dancer, you don't have to be in shape- the only requirements are to bring a smile and want to get a fun workout! This is a special event class and Stanford is very lucky to be able to host Tamara Ware via California. January 9 from 6 to 7 p.m. First Southern Community Arts Center, cost is \$6 for the special event class. (Regular classes are \$3-\$4).

Get fit at LC Public Library

Have you made a New Year's Resolution to get fit? We have the program for you! The Lincoln County Public Library will be offering The Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program sponsored by The Lincoln County Health Department. Mondays and Wednesdays, Jan. 20 through March 19 from 9:30 to 10 a.m. in the community room. This free, group exercise class will include flexibility and strength training to help you get started on your fitness goals. Registration required by Jan. 17. Call (606) 365-7513 or stop by the library.

Health and Wealth Challenge

Fort Harrod Ky. Health and Wealth Challenge 2014 is being offered to residents of Anderson, Boyle, Franklin, Garrard, Jessamine, Lincoln, Mercer and Woodford counties. It's all online! How to sign up: Follow the National Steps to Health and Wealth Challenge link at <http://rutgers.ancc.net/> create a user name and password, read the program instructions. Click on "My Account" to enroll, click "My Challenges", click "Enter a New Challenge" and click on "Fort Harrod Ky. Health & Wealth Challenge 2014. This program is open to everyone, sign up starting January 13 through March 9. If you have any questions or need more information, contact your local Extension Office, in Lincoln County, contact Rita Stewart, County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences at (606) 365-2447 or rstewart@uky.edu

McDowell Wellness Center Offering Half-Marathon Training Program

Are you thinking about training for a half-marathon or other distance running? McDowell Wellness Center can help you achieve your goals with a Half Marathon (13.1 miles) Training Program, which will begin Saturday, Jan. 11. The class will meet each Thursday at 6 p.m. and each Saturday at 8:30 a.m. This training program will get participants ready to run in the Derby Half Marathon on April 19. Individuals participating in this program should have the current ability to run three to four miles at least three times per week. To learn more, a free informational session will be held on Thursday, January 9 at 6 p.m. at McDowell Wellness Center. For more information or to sign up, call (859) 936-9355.

LC Health Department to begin free quit smoking class

The Lincoln County Health Department will be offering the Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking. The next class begins Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2014. This is a free 13-week quit smoking support group that meets once a week and offers free nicotine replacement therapy patches to participants. Registration is required and space is limited. To register call Lee Ann Taylor at the health department at (606) 365-3106.

HOPE/Celebrate Recovery

HOPE/Celebrate Recovery meets every Monday at the old Kings Mountain Memorial High School from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This is free and confidential. For more information, call Amy Stevens at (606) 669-9955.

LC UNITE Drug-Free Coalition meeting

The Lincoln County UNITE Drug-Free Coalition will not meet in December. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 7 at the Family Worship Center fellowship hall in Waynesburg.

Flu and Pneumonia Vaccine

The Lincoln County Health Department has flu and pneumonia vaccine available. Please call (606) 365-3106 for more information.

Life House support group

Life House, a separated, divorced and blending family outreach support group will meet at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month at Lancaster Full Gospel Outreach. For more information, call (502) 275-3109 or (859) 792-8517.

Cedar Creek Sportsman Club meetings

The Cedar Creek Sportsman's Club meets every third Tuesday of the month with a meeting and meal each month. Membership is \$60/yr. Anyone wanting to rent building, please contact Phyllis Adams at (606) 355-0276.

Highland SBDM Council Meetings

The Highland Elementary School SBDM Council will hold regularly scheduled meetings on the following dates: Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 18, April 15, May 13 and June 17. The meetings will be held at 3:45 p.m. in the school library.

LC Public Library events

- Teen Book Club, Thursday, Jan. 2 at 4 p.m.
 - Teen Advisory Board, Thursday, Jan. 9 at 4 p.m.
 - Toddler Tales, Thursdays at 10 a.m.
 - Preschool Story Hour, Thursdays at 11 a.m.
 - Science Lab, Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 5 p.m.
 - LEGO Club, Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 6 p.m. and Tuesday, January 28th at 6 p.m.
 - Family Movie, Saturday, Jan. 25 at noon.
- All programs are free and open to the public. Call (606) 365-7513 for more information.

Pathways Grief Support Group

Pathways Grief Support Group meets at 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at Heritage Hospice, Inc., 120 Enterprise Drive, Danville, KY 40422. (In November and December the group meets on the third Thursday.) The Group is open to those who have suffered a loss, whether served by Heritage Hospice or not. Friends of the bereaved are also welcome. Contact (859) 236-2425 for more information.

Bookmobile services

Lincoln County Public Library offers Outreach Bookmobile Services to Lincoln County residents. Do you love to read but have no way to get to the library? Please give the Outreach Librarian, Bev, a call at 365-7513. This is a free service. Bookmobile schedule: First and third week of the month: Tuesday - Kings Mountain, Waynesburg and Stanford area; Wednesday - McKinney, Hustonville, Moreland and Stanford area; and Thursday - Crab Orchard.

Crab Orchard Cemetery donations

The Crab Orchard Cemetery Board has reached a point financially where we can't continue the care that has been done in the past. The loss of revenue due to decreased interest rates from our trust has lowered our operating funds. We would like to thank the citizens of Crab Orchard and Lincoln County for your past support and with your continued support, we will strive to keep the cemetery neatly mowed and trimmed. Donations may be mailed to Crab Orchard Cemetery Fund, P.O. Box 712, Crab Orchard, KY 40419. Checks should be made to the Crab Orchard Cemetery Fund.

Broughtontown Community Center

The Broughtontown Community Center is open from 5 p.m. to 12 midnight seven days a week.

Upcoming Public Government Meetings

- Crab Orchard City Commission: Thursday, Jan. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at Crab Orchard city hall
- Lincoln County Industrial Development Authority, Tuesday, Jan. 7 at noon, 201 E. Main St. Suite 1
- Stanford City Council: Thursday, Jan. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at L&N Depot
- Hustonville City Hall: Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. at Hustonville City Hall
- Lincoln County Board of Education: Thursday, Jan. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Board of Education office
- Lincoln County Public Library Board: Monday, Jan. 13 at 4:30 p.m., Lincoln County Public Library
- Lincoln County Fire Protection District: Monday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. at Fire Station No. 2 (7020 U.S. 150)
- Lincoln County Fiscal Court: Tuesday, Jan. 14 and Jan. 28 at 9 a.m., Lincoln County Courthouse
- Crab Orchard City Commission Planning Session: Thursday, Jan. 16 at 6 p.m., Crab Orchard city hall
- Lincoln County Ambulance Board Monday, Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. in the old Lincoln County courthouse
- Lincoln County Board of Education Working Session: Thursday, Jan. 23 at 6:30 p.m., Lincoln County Board of Education
- Lincoln County Health Board: Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 12:30 p.m. at Lincoln County Health Department, 44 Health Way.
- Stanford Planning and Zoning Board regular meetings, Thursday, Jan. 30 at 6 p.m., L&N Depot.

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Lincoln grand jury indicts fourteen

The following people were indicted by the Dec. 17 Lincoln County grand jury:

- Chad Stevens, 245 Berry Hollow Road in Stanford, was indicted on charges of fleeing or evading police; operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs; and operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license. Stevens allegedly “wantonly disobeyed a police officer’s signals to stop his vehicle in an attempt to elude the police after engaging in conduct of wanton endangerment” on June 29, according to the indictment. Lincoln County Deputy Sheriff Sim Thacker testified against Stevens. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 24.
- Eddy W. Anderson Jr., 429 Locus Street in Danville, was indicted for theft by unlawful taking.

- Anderson allegedly took property worth \$500 or more that belonged to Ray F. Henson during the month of June, according to the indictment. Lincoln County Sheriff Curt Folger testified against Anderson. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 8.
- Kelly Hollister and Travis Taylor, both of 45 Bullock Lane in Eubank, were indicted for receiving stolen property. Hollister and Taylor allegedly had property worth \$500 or more in their possession on Sept. 14 that they knew was stolen and belonged Gerald Sears, according to the indictment. Folger testified against Hollister and Taylor. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 24.
- Candy L. Maples, 3429 U.S. 127 in Stanford, was indicted for theft by unlawful taking. Maples allegedly took property worth \$500

- or more that belonged to Genna Wethington on Aug. 30, according to the indictment. Lincoln County Deputy Sheriff Ryan Kirkpatrick testified against Maples. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 8.
- Jeremy Moore and Candice Moore, both of Waynesburg, were indicted for second-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking. Jeremy Moore and Candice Moore allegedly unlawfully entered the home of Robbie Boyd on Oct. 19 with the intent to commit a crime and took property belong to Boyd worth less than \$500, according to the indictment. Thacker testified against Jeremy Moore and Candice Moore. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 24.
- Stephen W. Zoldak, 3101 Kirk Levington Drive

- in Lexington, and Brandi K. Cheeks, 51 Lees Ford Dock Road in Nancy, were indicted for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. Zoldak and Cheeks allegedly knowingly and unlawfully possessed heroin and hypodermic needles on Nov. 1, according to the indictment. Stanford Police Officer Preston Middleton testified against Zoldak and Cheeks. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 8.
- Bobby G. Rhodus, 971 Crawford Lane in Stanford, was indicted for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Rhodus allegedly possessed a firearm on Sept. 23, according to the indictment. Lincoln County Deputy Sheriff John Williams testified against Rhodus. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 24.

- Austin D. Howell, 232 Deep Creek Road in Harrodsburg, was indicted for first-degree possession of a controlled substance and tampering with physical evidence. Howell allegedly possessed methamphetamine and tampered with evidence he believed would be “produced or used in an official proceeding,” according to the indictment. Williams testified against Howell. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 8.
- Elliott Woods, 17360 Ky. 1247 in Waynesburg, was indicted for tampering with physical evidence and trafficking in marijuana. Woods allegedly tampered with evidence and possessed marijuana with the intent to sell it on June 16, according to the indictment. Williams testified against Woods. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan.

- 24.
- Jonathan M. Durham, 2000 Boone Road in Stanford, was indicted for second-degree escape. Durham allegedly escaped the custody of the Lincoln County Sheriff’s Department on Oct. 3, 2012, after being arrested for a probation violation, according to the indictment. Lincoln County Deputy Sheriff Billy Phillips testified against Durham. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 8.
- Christopher S. Gehlhausen, 175 Shady Lane in Eubank, was indicted for first-degree possession of a controlled substance. Gehlhausen allegedly unlawfully possessed methamphetamine on Aug. 6, 2012, according to the indictment. Williams testified against Gehlhausen. Arraignment was scheduled for 10 a.m. Jan. 24.

2013: YEAR IN REVIEW

Lincoln school board makes staffing cuts

This story originally ran in The Interior Journal on Feb. 28.

STANFORD — Lincoln County's Board of Education has approved a tentative plan to save \$270,000 next school year by cutting the equivalent of six full-time teacher positions.

The move is the first step in a larger plan to cut \$500,000 from next year's budget and a total of \$1 million from the budget over the next three years, Superintendent Karen Hatter said.

The cuts are necessitated by simple math — the district is going to run out of money if it continues to spend at its current levels, Hatter said.

"We're three to four years out ... based on our district auditor's interpretations of our finances," she said. "He said we're three to four years out from not generating enough revenue to pay our expenses, from not having enough money in the bank ... you can't spend more than you make."

Board members approved unanimously Tuesday night a new district staffing allocation formula and staffing allocation plan that raises the district student-to-teacher ratio for grades 4-12 from 24-to-1 to 25-to-1.

The student-to-teacher ratio for kindergarten and grades 1-3 would remain at 24-to-1.

"The board does not take this lightly," Board Chairman Jim Kelley said. "We know that we're dealing with people and, in turn, we're dealing with their students. So as Miss Hatter loses sleep in the night worrying about these things, we're concerned about them also."

The net effect is the loss of the equivalent of six full-time teachers across the district, but actual changes at individual schools vary widely because of differing enrollments.

Stanford Elementary



Lincoln County School District Superintendent Karen Hatter talks to school board members in February about the need to make substantial budget cuts over the next three years in order to make sure the district's financial house remains in order.

File photo by Ben Kleppinger

School is slated to lose 2.8 full-time teachers, while Lincoln County High School is set to lose 1.45 teachers and McKinney Elementary will lose 1.3 teachers.

Waynesburg Elementary School and McGuffey Sixth-Grade Center would each lose half of a full-time teacher, and Hustonville Elementary School will lose .3 of a full-time teacher.

Highland Elementary would gain half a full-time position and Lincoln County Middle School would gain about a third of a full-time position under the plan.

Fort Logan High School's and Crab Orchard Elementary School's

staffing levels would be unaffected.

Based on the average district teacher's salary of \$45,000, school officials estimated cutting the six positions could save \$270,000. Hatter said teachers who are cut will not be tenured and will likely make less than the average salary but that when benefits are factored in on top of salaries, the savings will likely be about the same.

The plan is a tentative allocation due by March 1 to the school principals so they can begin to make plans, Hatter said. Further changes can still be made before the final allocation is submitted by May 1.

Hatter said the board and

school officials are still coming up with a list of all the ways in which the district could cut the additional funds needed in order to reach \$500,000 in savings.

"Part of what I'm trying to do is to listen to people about their ideas of where the cuts need to be made," she said. "We haven't made those decisions."

Hatter said her goal is to have a decision made on the remaining cuts before April 1.

She compared the district budget cuts to a crew righting the course of a ship headed for disaster.

"If you say there's an iceberg out there and we have time to miss it, well, we've started turning and we have

enough time to turn," she said. "I'm not saying we're going broke."

Hatter said the board opted for a "middle" approach to cuts, saving more cuts for down the road if federal and other sources of funding continue to stagnate.

"I'm always shaky about making decisions (like this)," she confessed to the board members. "We don't know exactly how much we're going to have. We don't know what our unforeseen expenses will be. We don't know how much the federal government is going to sequester. We don't know when they're going to say, 'We're not paying that bill for you.'"

Board member Denny Hogue said he was saddened that many who had learned of the cuts seemed more concerned about their own well-being than the well-being of the district.

"You can have a dissenting opinion — everybody is entitled to their own opinion — but if we've got everybody thinking about just themselves, it's going to make it unsettling for everybody," he said. "We can get through it and make it work, but we can't if everybody is pulling apart instead of working together."

Before the board meeting ended, Hatter thanked the board for making a hard vote and paraphrased Theodore Roosevelt.

"The best option is to make the right decision; the second-best option is to make the wrong decision; and the worst option is to make no decision at all," she said. "So I appreciate your support in voting for this. I know it's hard, and I think we can take Mr. Hogue's advice and get through this together."

Since then ...

The board discussed making as much as \$515,000 in cuts before approving a total of \$445,000, with projected savings from other changes expected to make up the difference and provide the district with the half-million in savings it was looking for.

The school district took a further hit on top of the local cuts thanks to the federal budget cuts known as “sequestration,” which caused additional teaching positions to be lost from preschool and special education programs.

The board also planned for as much as \$1.6 million in cuts over the three-year period, instead of the original \$1 million figure. Officials have yet to discuss specific cuts for the next fiscal year.



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Lincoln girls roll into Titan Holiday Classic semis with 74-51 romp

Tiandra Hocker and the Lincoln County girls basketball team made sure Saturday's quarterfinal with Lexington Christian was decided early.

Hocker scored 21 points and the Lady Patriots took control in the first quarter, coasting to a 74-51 victory over the Lady Eagles in the quarterfinal

round of the Titan Holiday Classic at Mercer County.

Lincoln (6-4) exploded out to a 23-13 lead in the first quarter then outpointed LCA 21-9 in the second to post a 44-22 halftime lead.

And LCA (6-4) never threatened.

Holly Huellenmeier led all scorers with 23 points, but it

wasn't enough to help the Lady Tigers earn the win.

Lincoln got plenty of scoring help in the victory, with 10 Lady Patriots getting in the scorebook. Cristin Hall joined Hocker in double figures with 12 points.

Others contributing for Lincoln were: Jaylynn Lester, nine points; Jenna King, eight

points; Aliyah Hocker, seven points; Spencer Sims and Caitlin Hall, five points apiece; Kaitlyn Wilks, four points; Logan Godbey, two points; and Jacque Upchurch, one point.

The quarterfinal win set Lincoln up in a semifinal game with 45th District rival Boyle County Sunday.

Game Scores

Quarterfinal Round
Titan Holiday Classic
at Mercer Co.

	1	2	3	4	Final
Lincoln County	23	21	18	12	- 74
Lex. Christian Academy	13	9	15	14	- 51

LINCOLN (6-4) - Tiandra Hocker 21, Spencer Sims 5, Cristin Hall 12, Caitlin Hall 5, Jaylynn Lester 9, Jenna King 8, Aliyah Hocker 7, Logan Godbey 2, Kaitlyn Wilks 4, Jacque Upchurch 1.
LEX. CHRISTIAN (4-5) - Katelyn Bundy 11, Holly Huellenmeier 23, Meredith Macy 3, Claire Panter 2, Hayley Strunk 2, Hannah Hartley 3, Bethany Hamilton 7.



LINCOLN COUNTY reserve Jaylynn Lester works the ball around the perimeter under the watchful eyes of, from right, head coach Cassandra McWhorter, assistant coaches Rebecca Shearer and Johnna Abney and Lincoln starters Tiandra Hocker and Cristin Hall during second-half action of the Lady Patriots' 60-56 win over Barbourville.

Photos by Nancy Leedy

LADY PATS HOLD ON

From B1

quarter. Tiandra Hocker was called for a charge with 6:11 showing and she joined starters Caitlin Hall and Cristin Hall on the sideline, all with two fouls.

The Lincoln lead was 22-12 when Hocker left the game, and the reserves not only preserved that lead, they built on it.

Junior reserve Caitlin Adams knocked down a 3-pointer and Spencer Sims sank two free throws to make it 27-14. Lincoln was on top when freshman reserve Jenna King scored off a Barbourville turnover, then Kelsi Honaker scored off another turnover to make it 31-16. After a basket by Barbourville's Kelsey Erslan, Adams was fouled with 3.7 seconds left and she sank both free throws to give Lincoln a 33-18 advantage at the half.

The Lady Pat reserves put up nine points in the first half and grabbed nine rebounds. For the game, the bench scored 17 points and had 11 rebounds.

McWhorter had her starters back on the floor to start the second half and they extended the Lady Pat lead to 22 points. Sims, who scored 15 points in the win, tallied six points to boost the lead, Cristin Hall nailed a 3-pointer, Hocker, who also finished with 15 points, drove in for a layup

and Adams came through with two free throws for a 46-24 margin.

Barbourville (5-4) narrowed the gap before the end of the third quarter. Kelsey Erslan, who had a game-high 21 points, drained a 3-pointer and added a layup while Kara Erslan converted on a three-point play to make it 46-32 going into the fourth quarter.

Aliyah Hocker's basket inside put Lincoln up 55-35 with 4:32 to play in the game.

But then Lincoln faltered. With the Lady Patriot starters out of the game, the Lady Tigers started clawing their

back. With its starting five still on the floor, Barbourville came charging back, outscoring Lincoln 22-5 down the stretch to make it a close game. The Lady Tigers got within three, with Amber Mills, who finished with 12 points and 11 boards, hitting a layup with 14.6 seconds to play to make it 59-56.

But that was as close as the Lady Tigers would get. Barbourville's strong charge late prompted McWhorter to put her starters back on the floor to preserve the win.

"It never makes you feel comfortable as a coach when you see that happening. But it was also good for the starting five to have to go back in and play with a little pressure at the end to make sure we got the ball in, we knocked down the free throws when we got

make it ours,' and the girls did a good job with that," McWhorter said.

Boyle never got closer than 10 points after Lincoln's decisive run.

"We just got whipped. Totally whipped," Boyle coach Greg Edwards said. "They beat us to every loose ball, they beat us to every rebound, they beat us to every fast break, anything they could beat us at, they beat us at."

Devin Conley led the Lady Rebels with 19 points, and Dee Foster added 12.



FRESHMAN RESERVE Jenna King of Lincoln drives on Barbourville's Kelsey Erslan and Anna Daniels in Friday's 60-56 win.

fouled and go ahead and come out on top," McWhorter said.

"Definitely too close for comfort, but a win's a win, ugly or pretty," she said. "I told the girls in the locker room that I didn't want to end on a sour note because there were a lot of negatives at the end of the game and those stick out in your mind. But we had a lot of positives throughout the game, especially early on and we need to dwell on those positives and move on."

Despite Barbourville's late charge, McWhorter says she

knows what she has on her bench and she knows they can contribute.

"Playing Lexington Catholic this weekend I've had multiple girls come off the bench and that gives us a lift. Caitlin Adams gives us a different look because she's able to step out and knock down the 3 when team's maybe thing she's going to be inside," McWhorter said.

"Jenna (King) has come in and done some good things. Logan Godbey came in in Lexington and knocked down 3 and played good defense. I

thought Jaylynn Lester came in off the bench today and played great defensively. It's just that continued time and experience that will help grow them and mature them to maybe we don't have those letdowns late in the game."

Lincoln went 18-for-57 from the floor, hitting just 3 of 16 3-point attempts. The Lady Patriots were 21-for-30 at the

foul line.

Barbourville was 16-for-48 from the floor and made 22 of 36 free throw attempts.

Lincoln outrebounded Barbourville 42-24. Caitlin Hall and Hocker both had seven rebounds.

Honaker had four of Lincoln's nine assists and Sims and Caitlin Hall each had three steals.

BOYLE

From B1

for 20 of Lincoln's 22 points in the first half, but each was on the bench with two fouls by the end of the second quarter.

"They were up nine at half-time, and we had three of our starters sitting on the bench, so I told them at halftime, 'We've got fresh legs, we've got a lot of our scoring sitting over on the bench with me in foul trouble, so when we come out in the third quarter we need to come out and

Lincoln made 20 of 28 free throws, with Hocker going 11-for-14 at the line.

Note: Lincoln was set to play host Mercer County Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in the championship game of the four-day, 16-team tournament. (Results were unavailable due to early press time)

Lincoln, which won the tournament in 2009, has ended Mercer's last two seasons with wins in the 12th Region Tournament semifinals — 54-50 in 2012 and 69-56 in 2013 — and has won three straight games in the

series.

Mercer is 1-2 in the title game, winning its first title last year over Danville.

Game Scores

Semifinal Round
Titan Holiday Classic
at Mercer Co.

	1	2	3	4	Final
Boyle Co.	19	12	7	15	- 53
Lincoln Co.	17	5	18	23	- 63

BOYLE (9-3) - Devin Conley 19, Kalin Bottoms 7, Lauren Richards 2, Dee Foster 12, Emmie Harris 3, Cami Holton 4, Allison Hall 6.
LINCOLN (7-4) - Tiandra Hocker 23, Spencer Sims 8, Cristin Hall 22, Caitlin Hall 9, Kelsi Honaker 1.

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Taylor had just drained a 3-pointer and followed with a three-point play to extend Lincoln’s lead to 61-48 mid-way through the fourth when the Indians broke on their run. Sam Jones, who double-doubled for the Indians with 11 points and 13 rebounds, hit inside and added a free throw toss in the run and Kirkland Humphrey hit a 3. With a minute left in the game, Demarcus George, who shared team-scoring honors with Cameron Thomas with 12 points, drove inside for a bucket to end the run and make it a 61-56 ballgame.

Four straight misses at the foul line by Lincoln helped Central close the gap, but the Patriots made good at the line down the stretch. Lincoln, which was 12-for-22 overall, sank 4 of 6 free throws in the closing minute to seal the win.

“We got to talking about

‘I thought we played really, really hard the whole game. We were playing for the second week in a row for a championship, and we got a lot of contributions from a lot of people.’

Lincoln coach Jeff Jackson

how the game ended with Catholic last weekend (final of Titan Clash) and we didn’t finish it out. We did finish today,” Jackson said. “We stayed pretty much focused on what we wanted to do and kept our composure. We missed some big free throws, but we hung on and found a way to win.”

The two teams were locked in a close game for the first three periods of play, including a back-and-forth battle in the first quarter which saw 10 lead changes.

Andrew Wilks gave Lincoln the first lead of the game on a putback. Jacob Conway, who poured in 17 points in the win, went inside for his first bucket and a 4-3 edge. Taylor and Brandon Pittman both hit from 3-point range to nose Lincoln back on top and Kody Cornelius hit inside to make it 13-12.

The Patriots took the lead for good just before the buzzer sounded on the first period, with Taylor stepping behind the arc for a 3 to make it 18-15.

Lincoln was up 21-15 after another Taylor trey to open the second quarter, but

Jones answered the trey with two free throws for Central then Isaiah Johnson, who finished with 11 points, and Coty Alexander both bombed in 3’s to cut it to 24-23.

The Patriots never relinquished their lead though, using a 10-2 run to extend its lead to nine points midway through the second quarter. Conway sank two free throws to open the run, Conley followed with a 3-pointer, Cornelius hit inside and Conway finished with three more free throws to put the Pats up 34-25 with 3:28 on the clock.

Thomas followed up Conway’s free throws with a bucket in the paint for Central then Jones added his own field goal and Humphrey hit from 3-points out to get the Indians back within 36-32.

The Patriots would take a 38-32 lead into the half, with Taylor driving inside for a layup with 3.1 seconds left on the clock.

Central threatened the Lincoln lead early in the third with a 6-0 run, as George, Thomas and Jones scored a bucket apiece to make it a 41-38 ballgame.



LINCOLN'S Timmy Taylor (1) drives on Madison Central's Kirkland Humphrey. The junior guard hit four 3-pointers and finished with a game-high 21 points in the win. Neil Conley also had four 3's and had 12 points. Jacob Conway also hit double digits with 17 points.

Photo by Nancy Leedy

The Indians got within three points three different times in the third quarter only to have the Patriots pull away every time.

A 6-0 run – two Conway jumpers and a Cornelius bucket – extended a 43-40 lead to 49-40. Johnson converted on a three-point play with 1:38 left in the third to get the Indians within three, again, 49-46, only to have

Conley finish the third for Lincoln with two 3-pointers and a 55-48 lead going into the fourth.

“I thought we played really, really hard the whole game. We were playing for the second week in a row for a championship, and we got a lot of contributions from a lot of people,” Jackson said. “I felt like we grew a whole lot from last week to this

week. I was very proud of our kids for finding a way to hang on and win.”

Lincoln was 22-for-45 from the field for the night for 49 percent.

Central shot 47 percent for the night, going 23-for-49 from the field. The Indians were 9-for-17 from the free throw line.

Lincoln had nine turnovers to Central’s 14.



DUNBAR

From B1

Neil Conley, who finished with 17 points, swished in a 3-pointer with 5.7 seconds left then got the steal and a bucket at the buzzer to put the Patriots up 39-26 at the half.

“Neil hitting the 3 at the end of the half and then getting the steal and score was huge for us and gave us a lift going into half,” Jackson said. “We were a bit unsettled there, but that play gave us momentum.”

And that momentum kept rolling.

Jacob Conway, who led all scorers with 19 points, kickstarted a 10-0 scoring run two minutes into the third quarter with two free throws and a bucket. Wilks collected a bucket in the run, Timmy Taylor added two free throws and Pittman got a goal as Lincoln opened up a 52-30 lead.

Lincoln’s lead never fell below 20 points the rest of the way. The Patriots took a 54-33 lead into the fourth quarter then outpointed the Bulldogs 18-15 for the final.

“I thought we got a little sloppy at one time in the second quarter and again late with some things, but overall we beat a great basketball team, a well-coached basketball team,” Jackson said. “Any time you can get a win against a Lexington school it’s good because they are usually so athletic and very, very talented.”



LINCOLN senior Kody Cornelius looks for an open man in the second half of the Patriots’ 72-48 rout of Paul Laurence Dunbar in the first round of the Gateway Classic.

Game Scores

Semifinal Round Gateway Classic at Montgomery Co.					
	1	2	3	4	Final
Lincoln Co.	20	19	15	18	- 72
Dunbar	8	18	7	15	- 48

NEIL CONLEY of Lincoln attempts a layup against Dunbar in Saturday's Gateway Classic quarterfinal game. Conley scored 17 points in the win, earning 15 points from 3-point range. Use your KY X-tra app on photo to access bonus content with this story.

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LCHS Sports Schedule

Jan. 3 - 18

Friday, Jan. 3 Boys Basketball Lincoln at Danville, 7:30 Girls Basketball Lincoln at Danville, 6	Boys Basketball Bryan Station at Lincoln, 7:30
Saturday, Jan. 4 Boys Basketball Goodfellas Pizzeria Shootout at Lex. Catholic, Lincoln vs. Taylor Co., 8	Monday, Jan. 13 Girls Basketball Whitley Co. at Lincoln, 7:30
Monday, Jan. 6 Girls Basketball Lincoln at Montgomery Co., 7:30	Tuesday, Jan. 14 Boys Basketball Pulaski Co. at Lincoln, 7:30
Tuesday, Jan. 7 Boys Basketball Lincoln at South Laurel, 7:30	Friday, Jan. 17 Boys Basketball Lincoln at Boyle Co. 7:30
Friday, Jan. 10 Girls Basketball Lincoln at Madison Central, 7:30	Girls Basketball Lincoln at Boyle Co., 6
Saturday, Jan. 11	Saturday, Jan. 18 Boys Basketball Coaches vs. Cancer at East Jessamine, Lincoln vs. Fleming Co., TBA
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Preston completes basic training

Air Force Airman Timothy C. Preston graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas. The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Preston, a 2010 graduate of Garrard County High School, Lancaster, is the son of Tim and Rebecca Preston of Stanford.

NRCS announces Farm Bill Program participation

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Kentucky is encouraging landowners, farmers and producers to visit their local NRCS office now to receive information and apply for conservation technical assistance and possible financial funding opportunities. The application process for NRCS’s conservation programs is continuous, but funding selections for specific programs are made throughout the year. For the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP), the first application cutoff period date for consideration for 2014 funds is January 17, 2014. Applications received after Jan. 17, 2014, will be held until the next application cut off period, which will be April 18, 2014. NRCS Acting State Conservationist Jack Kuhn announced this month that technical and financial assistance is available to eligible applicants for the EQIP. EQIP is a conservation program that provides financial and technical assistance to farmers and ranchers who face threats to soil, water, air, and related natural resources on their land. Through EQIP, NRCS develops contracts with agricultural producers to voluntarily implement conservation practices. Persons engaged in livestock or agricultural production and owners of non-industrial private forestland are eligible for this program. Eligible land includes cropland, pastureland, private non-industrial forestland, and other farm or ranch lands. EQIP offers several National and State Initiatives which include the Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watershed Initiative, Seasonal High Tunnel Initiative, Organic Initiative, On-Farm Energy Initiative, Wildlife Initiative, and Forestry Initiative. Interested land users should visit their local NRCS Office to find out

what opportunities are available through each of these EQIP Initiatives. A second conservation program, WHIP, offers opportunities through the Working Lands for Wildlife (WLFW), which focuses on the recovery of certain at-risk, threatened or endangered wildlife species while helping other vulnerable and game species that depend on similar habitat. In Kentucky, the Golden-winged Warbler is the species of concern for parts of 12 Kentucky counties including Bell, Clay, Floyd, Harlan, Knott, Knox, Leslie, Letcher, McCreary, Perry, Pike and Whitley. “We’re urging producers to get their applications in as soon as possible to be considered for this year’s funding,” said Kuhn. All recipients of assistance are required to develop a conservation plan. Conservation planning is an integral part of the conservation process. Landowners should work with a conservation planner to develop the plan based on the landowner’s operational goals to improve the productivity, sustainability and profitability of their operation. The conservation plan will serve as a roadmap to a variety of technical assistance and financial assistance through EQIP and WHIP, as well as other options available to the landowner. “We’re getting back to our roots with conservation planning,” says Kuhn.

“Conservation planning is the vital first step in understanding natural resources on your land, and also understanding how technical and financial conservation assistance can be incorporated into your operation to help you help the land.” He added, “Now is the time to contact your local NRCS Field Office to develop a conservation plan.” For more information visit NRCS on the web at www.ky.nrcs.usda.gov or contact your local NRCS service center at <http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app>.

Lincoln property transfers recorded

Property transfers recorded in the office of Lincoln County Clerk George O. “Sonny” Spoonamore IV. Roberta Phillips to Jayme R. Phillips and Rodman K. Phillips, property on the Stanford-Somerset Pike, lying five miles south of Stanford, gift, fair cash value of property conveyed is \$1,500. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Malinda Barnett, by and through Edward G. May, Master Commissioner of the Lincoln Circuit Court, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., 4.663 acres off KY 643, \$38,667. Susan B. and Paul E. Wyler to Susan B. and Paul E. Wyler, four parcels of property on Will Chancellor Road, U.S. 150 and Cut-off Pike, survivorship deed, fair cash value of property conveyed is \$529,000. Claudia Miracle to Travis D. and Brenda M. Mullins, property situated near Crab Orchard Fork of Buck Creek, \$19,000. Jeff Helton and Patricia Helton to Betty Pitts, 1.61 acres off KY 39, \$7,000. Edward M. and Christine Baker to Robert and Myrtle Low, Jordan Elder and

Martha Swinney, property on Shelton Road, Crab Orchard, \$5,500. Lincoln County Ready Mix Inc. to Michael Wayne

and Dianne Henderson, 0.261 acre on KY 698, property exchange, fair cash value of property exchanged is \$100.

Marriages recorded

Marriage licenses recorded in the office of Lincoln County Clerk George O. “Sonny” Spoonamore IV. Jennifer Michelle Hood, 36, Hustonville, Human Resources, to James Carlos Hamilton, 39, Hustonville, Norfolk Southern. Michelle Lynn Fletcher, 22, Stanford, homemaker, to Jonathan Elliot Allison Jr., 23, Stanford, Burkmann Feed. Carla Michelle Smith, 36, Crab Orchard, student, to Jerry Mark Graham, 42, Stanford, LMI. Nikki Lynn Williams, 18, Crab Orchard, housekeeper, to Arthur Alexander Gutenson, 20, Waynesburg, Eagle Hardwood.

Fort Logan Hospital announces births

Aiden Wayne Hinds

Aiden Wayne Hinds, the son of Cheyenne Coffee and Ricky Hinds of Crab Orchard, was born Wednesday, Dec. 18 at the Fort Logan Hospital at 9:54 p.m. He weighed 9 pounds 6 ounces and measured 22 1/4 inches at birth. Maternal grandparents are Luanne and Timothy Coffee. Paternal grandparents are Ronda Hinds and Ricky Saylor.

Dylan Clay Snow

Dylan Clay Snow, the son of Dorothy Marie Dick and Donald Douglas Snow of Waynesburg, was born Monday, Dec. 9, 2013, at the Fort Logan Hospital at 5:13 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds 6 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches at birth. Maternal grandparents are David Dick and Daisy Dick of Waynesburg. Paternal grandparents are Vernon and Hazel Snow of Waynesburg. Maternal great grandparents are Ovrall Dick and Imogene Dick of Science Hill and Hubert and Betty Corner of Eubank. Paternal great grandparents are Alice Snow, Alame Singleton and Theodore Singleton. He joins a sister, Deanna Marie Snow, age 2.

Morgan Elsa Phillips

Morgan Elsa Phillips, the daughter Megan Lewis and Brandon Phillips of Lancaster, was born Saturday, Nov. 30, 2013, at the Fort Logan Hospital at 2:09 a.m. She weighed 5 pounds 9 ounces and measured 19.5 inches at birth. Maternal grandparents are Michelle Lewis and Dean Lewis of Harrodsburg. Paternal grandparents are Susan and Ray Phillips of Lancaster.

Eliana Nicole Eldridge

Eliana Nicole Eldridge, the daughter of Chasity Dawn and Coy Dean Eldridge of Waynesburg, was born Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2013, at the Fort Logan Hospital at 5:56 p.m. She weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces and measured 20 inches at birth. Maternal grandparents are Lisa Johnson and Tim Ryan of Stanford. Paternal grandparents are Deedee Eldridge and Doyle Eldridge of Waynesburg. Maternal grandparent is Victoria Solomonn of Lexington. Paternal great grandparents are Dorothy Blair and James Blair of Mt. Sterling.

Jailee Kaye Siler

Jailee Kaye Siler, the daughter of Jessica Siler of Waynesburg, was born Monday, Dec. 16, 2013, at the Fort Logan Hospital at 3:14 a.m. She weighed 5 pounds 13 ounces and measured 18 1/2 inches at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Bobby Siler of Crab Orchard and the late Glenda Cook of Stanford. Maternal great grandparent is Myrtle Wall of Russell Springs. She joins a sister, Jaiden Faye Siler, age 2.

Alli Beth Dotson

Alli Beth Dotson, the daughter of Jessica and Jonathan Dotson of Lancaster, was born Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2013, at the Fort Logan Hospital at 2:58 a.m. She weighed 8 pounds 9 ounces and measured 21 inches at birth. Maternal grandparents are Mark and Cathy

Fornash of Carrollton. Paternal grandparents are Paul and Sheila Coomes of Lawrenceburg. Maternal great grandparents are Glenn and Marie Fornash of Richmond and James and Joan Tipton of Hanover, Ind. Paternal great grandparents are Edward and Mary Jo Young of Lancaster.

Jonathan Tanner Stevens

Jonathan Tanner Stevens, the son of Sasha and Greg Stevens of Crab Orchard, was born Thursday, Dec. 12, 2013, at the Fort Logan Hospital at 7:18 p.m. He weighed 9 pounds 14 ounces and measured 22 inches at birth. Maternal grandparents are John Thrush of Harrison Mich., and Melanie Denny of Brodhead. Paternal grand-

parents are Kenny and Teresa Stevens of Crab Orchard. Maternal great grandparents are Vikki and David King of Brodhead and Candi Catzenstein of Harrison, Mich. Paternal great grandparents are Ann Stevens of Crab Orchard and George and Loretta Crawley of Hustonville. He joins a brother, Damon Stevens, age 3 and a sister, Natalie Stevens, age 6.

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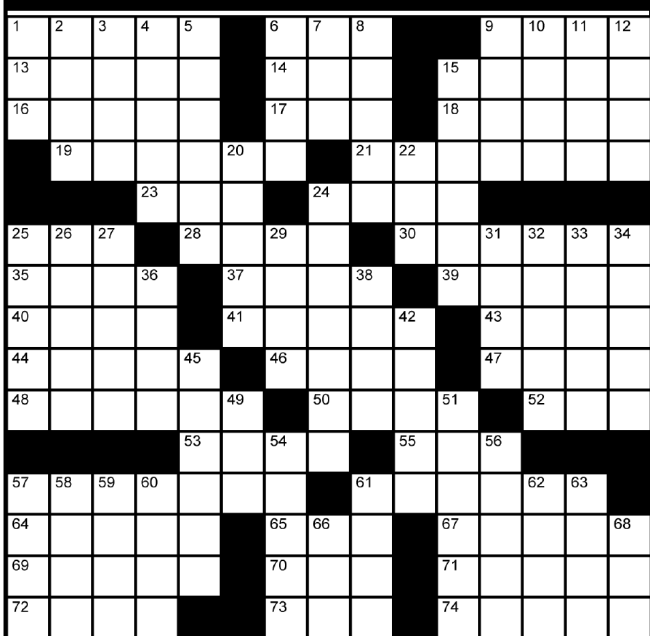
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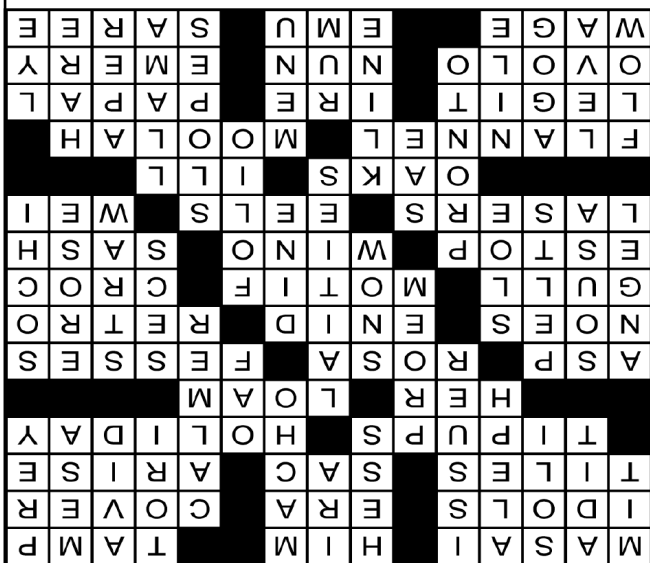
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